

Children's Services

Developmental Disabilities Program – provides intervention, training, support and assistance to children with disabilities and their families to enable children with developmental disabilities to live in a family home, and to help the family to meet the challenges associated with constantly caring for a family member with a disability. Services for children funded through the DDP are located throughout Montana and include Early Intervention Services (Part C), Family Education and Support (Title XX), Children's Waiver Services (Medicaid), and Children's Autism Waiver (Medicaid) services. The DDP also provides a limited number of community home opportunities for children who cannot remain in natural, foster, or adoptive homes.

Children's Mental Health - provides care and support to individuals under 18 years of age who have been diagnosed with serious emotional disturbance (SED). Our Mission is to support and strengthen Montana youth and families through Medicaid mental health services. Our Vision is strong youth functioning in healthy families, living in supportive Montana communities

Independent Living Services - Independent Living Centers (ILC's) are non-residential, meaning they don't offer places to live at the Centers. They do provide services to anyone with a disability including children and students.

Addictive & Mental Disorders (AMD) - This program assures a statewide continuum of effective prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation services for people with chemical dependency and mental illness.

Parents Let's Unite for Kids (PLUK) - PLUK is a private, nonprofit organization formed in 1984 by parents of children with disabilities and chronic illnesses in the state of Montana for the purpose of information, support, training and assistance to aid their children at home, school and as adults.

Office of Public Instruction – Special Education - Choose Special Education from the menu on the right hand side of the page. This site gives links to a number of state and national issues related to special education

Disability Rights Montana (DRM) - The Mission of Disability Rights Montana is to protect and advocate for the human, legal, and civil rights of Montanans with disabilities while advancing dignity, equality, and self-determination. Disability Rights Montana

provides information and referral, individual advocacy, legal representation, outreach and training, and systems advocacy.

Healthy Montana Kids (HMK) is a free or low-cost health coverage plan. The plan provides health coverage to eligible Montana children and teenagers up to age 19. A child can qualify for HMK based on family size and income. - CHIP provides basic health care services to enrolled children under age 19. Covered services include physician and mid-level practitioner services, inpatient and outpatient hospital services, prescription drugs, inpatient, outpatient and residential mental health and substance abuse treatment services, and vision and hearing exams.

Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) - Today, nearly half of all infants born in Montana receive WIC benefits, and the program serves more than 22,000 Montana women, infants and children monthly. Nationally, one in five pregnant women (and children under five years old) benefit from the nutritious food, education, support and health care referrals offered through WIC at some 10,000 clinics.

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